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TRIED TO
STEAL THE
BALLOT BOXSeventh Precinct
Voting Ends
in Row.TALLY SHEETS
LOST IN SCUFFLELights Went Out at 2 A. M. and
Voters Pummel Each Other
in Dark.

AT 2 o'clock yesterday morning in the dining room of the Reform School, Palama, when but thirty of the four hundred and ninety-four ballots cast at the seventh primary remained to be called off, the electric lights went out, there was a reaching of unseen hands for the wooden ballot box and in an instant nearly fifty men were engaged in a mild free-for-all fight. When the lights came on again several of the combatants were on the floor and the impact of fists could be heard here and there accompanied by hard words. Warden Henry of Oahu Prison, the judge of the election was defending the ballot box and preventing it and the precious ballots from being thrown out of a window. Despite the sudden onrush of politicians to gain possession of the box the warden stood his ground manfully and guarded it well, and although the cover was half wrenched off not a vote was lost.

When the trouble was over there were not so many men in the dining hall as when the counting was interrupted, as several had been seen to make hasty exits out of windows and doors, assisted in some instances by the police. A call for the patrol wagon and reinforcements had an immediate effect on some of the combatants, for a hasty retreat was made and when the wagon finally did appear there were few men, outside the election officials, in the room. The disturbance caused a recount of the ballots owing to the fact that the tally sheets of the clerks had been seized while the lights were out and were either destroyed or carried away.

It was an exceedingly haggard looking, hungry and sleepy half dozen of officials at 7 o'clock yesterday morning when the count was finished and the Huddy-Wallace-Crawford-Clark ticket declared elected over the Sims-Vida-Sherwood-Oleap combination.

It was an exciting night in the seventh precinct of the Fifth District, but to a certain extent the row was not entirely unexpected, for the leaders of both factions had been carrying chips on their shoulders during the afternoon, and when the polls closed at 8 o'clock there was suppressed excitement in many quarters. There were hurried conferences between the respective leaders and their active lieutenants, and almost from the moment the polls closed both sides seemed anxious to precipitate trouble.

It was seen that the count of the ballots could not be made on the porch where the voting took place and at somebody's request Superintendent Gibson of the Reform School was asked to open the dining room for that purpose. This was done and Warden Henry lifted the box from the table and started in with it. At once there was a protest from the Clark side because there was no light in the room. Three men for each faction were then chosen to accompany the judge and tellers into the room, and the candidates and press were also invited to enter. Finally the procession took up its march and the ballot box was deposited at the end of a long table. Mr. Henry seating himself beside it, lunch was brought in and for fifteen minutes the hungry officials ate. At 8:30 o'clock McCants Stewart acted as spokesman for the Clark-Huddy faction, announced that he had the key of the ballot box, and he presented it, in an envelope to Warden Henry.

"St. Peter," came a voice from the crowd. It was announced by the clerk that according to the registered list of voters there should be found four hundred and ninety-four votes in the box. Sharp words were exchanged between Sims and McCants Stewart over a question of the votes in the box tallying with the list, and then the Warden commenced the count of votes. The figures tallied exactly and three cheers were given.

The first ballot picked out was one of the Vida-Sims-Sherwood side, and at once McCants Stewart arose to protest against the name of Vida. The crowd became impatient at interruption

REPUBLICANS CHOOSE DELEGATES
AND COMMITTEEMEN AT PRIMARIES

Harmony Marks the Party Gatherings in a Majority of Precincts.

Warm Struggles in the Second of the Fourth
Where the Caucus Ticket Wins and
in Seventh of Fifth.

and told him to sit down. He gained the floor however, and made his protest as follows: "On behalf of Messrs. Huddy, Wallace and Crawford, we object to the counting of any ballots cast for Mr. Vida on the ground that he was not duly nominated under the rules, in that his name was not on the roll of the precinct club." In support of his objection he called attention to Rule 16 which proved, he said, that no nominations for the District Committee and delegates to the Territorial Convention shall be received and placed on the primary ballots unless made at meetings held for such purpose and no person shall be nominated unless he shall have enrolled his name in the precinct club prior to the placing of his name as a nominee.

"When Mr. Vida was nominated," he continued, "the gentlemen overlooked the fact that he was not an enrolled member of the club. We say that his name on the ballot is not there legally, and that makes it null and void."

"You say what is untrue," retorted Mr. Sims. "You cannot substantiate that."

"Mr. Vida's name was not on the precinct roll prior to the nomination and he could not therefore be nominated," said the lawyer with heat. "I went expressly to the secretary of the club for the purpose of ascertaining that point."

Warden Henry asked the secretary when Mr. Vida's name was on the roll, and if it was there prior to 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon. The secretary said that it had been placed there at 11:30 in the forenoon. The crowd broke into applause and Mr. Henry proceeded with the count, giving McCants Stewart an opportunity to appeal if he desired to do so.

There were several wordsy "scrap" during the evening, but it was not until 2 a. m. that matters came to a crisis. It was seen that the Sims ballots were being outnumbered at that time. On the Sims side Jim Kuphea was yelling on a table. Birbe, another Sims man, was near the ballot box. Clark was talking to Holt, while Chester Doyle, of the police department was behind the entire group, having been on duty at the place all night. Some one turned off the electric switch in the hall way and the fun began. Henry closed down the ballot box lid with a bang just in time to intercept an attempt of some one to wrest it from him. Several hearty blows were exchanged in the room and two men went to the floor, one of them being Candidate Clark. When the lights were turned on again, Chester Doyle was in the act of ejecting Birbe through a doorway and Jim Kuphea did the same with two others. J. L. Holt received a black eye, and so it went on for a minute or two. A call was sent by Doyle to the police station for the patrol wagon and the disturbance stopped as quickly as it had begun.

When the excitement had subsided it was found that the tally sheets had disappeared and there was no record of the count. At first it was decided to put the ballots back in the box, seal it up and count them at a later date. It was finally determined to go ahead with an entirely new count which was finished at 7 a. m. just in time to permit the Reform School inmates to have their breakfast in the same room.

McCants Stewart was on hand when the counting of the ballots came to an end at 7 o'clock and when the result was announced, he turned to the small assemblage and said:

"Gentlemen, I think it is meet that we should all now unite in singing 'Praise God from whom all Blessings Flow.'"

Stewart had his little say but the crowd did not sing.

CHINESE
STORES
BURNED

Fire which broke out at 1:30 o'clock this morning destroyed a block of buildings in Chinatown and endangered many lives. That the sleeping men and women got out was due to the watchfulness of Patrolman Willis, who discovering the fire upon the first tongue of light making itself manifest aroused everyone possible and then returned after turning in the alarm.

There was a party of men playing dominoes a short time before the fire in the room in the rear of the grocery store of Sun Lung, in the Cross block just opposite the junction of King and Beretania streets. It was behind them, in a room further back in the same house that the fire first began to be apparent. It is supposed that it was started by a stove blaze, the fire there having been kept alive for the purpose of furnishing a meal for the players.

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The Colonel Is All Right, But the Troops Seem to Be a Little Timid.—The New York Journal.

of the business men's ticket, was plainly told by a would-be leader whose vote was close to the lowest end of the list that if he did not keep quiet, "he'd be back and set down" in fact that he might never expect to secure a nomination for the legislature this fall. This was too humorous and Mr. Harris went on working and had the satisfaction of knowing he had been with the winners.

In the fourth precinct there was a considerable struggle owing to the fact that three young men had been nominated on the District ticket and it was not to be expected the ins would make room without a fight. The result was the defeat of Angus, Doyle and Love. The only change in the Territorial Convention ticket was the leaving off of Mitchell who was said to not live in the precinct.

In the third precinct the fight was an interesting one for District Committee but a walk over for Atkinson for Territorial Convention. M. P. Robinson had no printed tickets and did nothing in the way of work. He received the votes of Atkinson and Judge Humphreys, despite his protest that he was not in the race. The balloting for District Committeemen was lively. Boyd winning in the round up. The vote was phenomenal.

Nowhere else in the District was there a fight. The first, fifth, sixth and seventh had only one ticket and the polling went on lively but uninterruptedly during the entire afternoon.

FIFTH DISTRICT GROWTH.

It was in the Fifth District that the greatest growth in Republican voting strength was apparent. All over the District there was apparent a considerable growth in interest in many places the turnout at the polls Saturday exceeding that at the regular election two years ago.

Thus at Kaneohe there were more votes cast for Adams than Parker got; at Kahuku Andrew Adams was the recipient of 55 against 47 for Parker; ninety-six votes appeared at Waikeolu, nearly twice as many as cast votes in 1900; Waianae had more than two to one and Ewa Court House came up with 191 as against 102 for Parker. This story of interest is borne out by every report and that there was harmony and good will was evidenced on every side.

Outside of the seventh, the city precinct gave good votes and carried through the compromise tickets without any changes. There was an element of interest in the ninth where W. J. Coelho had himself and S. K. Ka-ne on the delegate ticket but the business men's ticket was the stronger. In the 10th the Chinese vote was seen when Kwai Fong won out the top vote, for the District Committee.

The following table shows just how the Republican strength has been increasing in the various precincts:

FOURTH DISTRICT.			
Precinct.	1900.	1902.	
1	109	163	
2	459	459	
3	12	238	
4	122	235	
5	188	188	
6	31	22	
7	7	10	

FIFTH DISTRICT.			
Precinct.	1900.	1902.	
1	30	78	
2	37	37	
3	114	96	
4	30	67	
5	134	134	
6	39	151	
7	188	494	
8	74	103	
9	56	146	
10	32	108	

THE RESULT.

FOURTH DISTRICT, FIRST PRECINCT.			
Territorial Convention.			

Cecil Brown	163
Sol Kauai	162
E. G. Koon	163
Joe. Luahiva	152

Four elected.	
Total votes cast, 163.	

F. W. Macfarlane	163	in
W. C. Roe	163	tri
D. P. R. Isenberg	163	He
C. F. Peterson	163	

Chas. Kupahu	162
Samuel Kamakapu	162
D. Fikoi Oku	162
Kinkake	161

Entitled to eight.	
Total vote, 163.	

FOURTH DISTRICT, SECOND PRECINCT.			
Territorial Convention.			

R. W. Aylett	399
C. B. Wilson	407
J. Kumalae	372
J. W. Jones	338

T. F. Lansing	347
J. H. Fisher	371
J. Campbell	371
Lorrin Andrews	312

J. K. Kamanoulu	320
W. T. Rawlins	247
B. H. Wright	159
Geo. A. Davis	87

Jno. Ika	174
Nine to be chosen.	

J. A. Gilman	332	her
F. J. Church	373	
J. Waterhouse	287	her
J. P. Cooke	346	an
C. B. Wilson	327	to

J. Waterhouse	287
J. P. Cooke	240
C. B. Wilson	327
Jonah Kumalae	307
J. H. McClellan	262
John K. Kamanoulu	280

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WHERE IS
THE BARK
CEYLON?Guano Vessel Now
Many Days
Overdue.STEAMER WILL
SEARCH FOR HEROld Wooden Craft Sixty Days
on Trip to Laysan
Island.

WHAT has become of the old bark Ceylon which is commanded by Capt. Willer and is in the trade between Honolulu and Laysan Island? The question is being asked all along the waterfront and the owners, H. Hackfeld & Co., Ltd., are making the same query and may charter one of the island steamers today, provision it and send it to Laysan Island in the hope of finding the ancient guano craft.

Mr. Alexander Isenberg of the firm of H. Hackfeld & Co. called upon Captain Whiting, commandant of the Naval Station Saturday. He explained that the Ceylon left this port on the afternoon of June 4 for Laysan Island and should have returned here with a cargo of guano within forty days. The vessel is now out 60 days. As the Albatross had started on a cruise to Bird Island, which lies in the direction of the small dot on the ocean known as Laysan Mr. Isenberg asked that a message be sent to Captain Thomas of the Albatross so that it would reach him at Hanalei, at which port the Fish Commission steamer was to call. The Albatross' commander received the message Saturday afternoon. It requested him to look out for the Ceylon or wreckage and pick up the crew if he could find them. The message was slightly mixed so Captain Thomas decided to put back to Honolulu and learn definitely what was to be done.

The Albatross arrived in port here shortly after noon yesterday. Captain Thomas called on Captain Whiting at once and put to sea again within two hours. Captain Thomas will now keep a sharp watch for the missing vessel. During the course of his interview with Captain Whiting, Mr. Isenberg said that if the Ceylon did not turn up by the first of this week that his company would charter one of the island steamers and send it in search of the missing sailer.

The Ceylon carries about a dozen men. She is a very old wooden vessel having been built in Boston in 1856. Her gross tonnage is 681 tons, length 150.4 feet, breadth 33 feet, and depth 20.2 feet.

The last time the Ceylon came into this port was on May 27 from Laysan Island. On that occasion she brought in 780 tons of guano. On making that trip she was four days going out from Honolulu and sixteen in returning.

On Laysan Island at present there are about 40 Japanese and a white luma, the place being bossed by Max Schlemmer who is known as the King of Laysan Island.

Mate Sutherland of the Ceylon is well known in Honolulu as are also most of the crew.

The guano carrying vessels find but a poor anchorage at Laysan Island and have to take in their cargoes while anchored about a mile and a half off shore. There is every probability that the vessel may have been driven on shore and in that case the provisions that a rescue vessel may take will come in handy.

The bark Albert which recently left Honolulu for the coast made a trip to Laysan Island and return. She left here on May 6 for the island, secured her cargo, and got back in Honolulu on June 19, having made the round trip in 28 days.

Manager Lake of the Hawaiian hotel will be the manager of the new Young building hotel.